NORTON DISNEY PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 21st November 2018 in the Village Hall.

Those attending were:

Parish Councillors

Vanessa Hall

Pat Gibson

Clive Moles

Terry Johnson

And 8 members of the public.

The Parish Clerk

M Salmon

County and District Councillors

Marianne Overton MBE

Pat Woodman MBE

Apologies for absence

District Councillor Sue Howe

The Police

Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish meeting held on 19th September 2018 were accepted and signed as a true and accurate record.

Matters arising / Police Report

No Police report was available, initially. However, subsequent to the meeting, PCSO Sarah Lingard sent one for the period 19/9/18 to 25/11/18, showing there had been 3 thefts of machinery and some crop damage to fields off Newark road, as per copy attached.

County & District Councillors' Reports

Marianne Overton MBE reported that there will be increased funding for pothole repairs in the current year and that 'edge of roads' damage now count as being eligible for repair work.

Sue Howe – please see her report attached.

Pat Woodman MBE reported on Whisby Nature Parks' Christmas period activities, that Mrs Smiths' Cottage project now had been granted £400k lottery funding and that Lavant Homes are planning to build 19 affordable houses in the district next year.

Presentation by Richard Parker, Norton Disney History & Archaeology Group

Records at Lincolnshire CC and Newark Museum show that artefacts recovered from Villa Farm and the surrounding area can be traced back to the Bronze Age and are up to 3000 years old, that Brills Farm may have been a fort and that there is evidence of smelting during the Iron Age.

The Norton Disney Deity 'Mars Thingsus' which was found close to the Fosseway at Brough is on display at the British Museum and underpins the growing importance of Villa Farm as a site of historical importance.

Richard suggested that one way the Parish council could help bring the site to the notice of tourists would be to fund a Heritage Site Board (s). This topic will be on the next Parish meeting agenda.

Presentation by Michael Orridge regarding planning application 18/1421/OUT

Further to an application earlier in the year for the building of 4 dwellings close to the rear of the village hall, which was rejected by NKDC, this one, for outline planning permission for a 4 bedroom bungalow, was promoted by Michael, being the Architect for the proposal, on behalf of the Site owner(s).

He said it would add to the sustainability of the village among other reasons for its development.

However, during subsequent discussion, there was clear disagreement on a number points including the number of properties which could be classed as 'secondment' or rear dwellings as opposed to ones with 'frontage'.

Subsequent to the meeting, amendments to the application have been made, which will need to be considered.

Bomber County Gateway Trust update

Cllr Clive Moles updated the meeting on progress. Groundwork started on 19th November.

Breedon Group, to their credit, have now offered 1000 tonnes of concrete, Tata Steel has offered to produce the struts supporting the plane and GS Hughes 500 tonnes of stone.

£85k has been raised up to the date of the meeting

Update on Lincoln Protein Ltd.

It was reported that March 2019 seems the likely month when the application will be considered.

Planning Applications/Decisions

1 application, as above, during the period.

Financial Report

As at 29th October 2018 funds in the Community account stood at £1885.45, having made payments of £545.93 since the last meeting.

Business Premium account stood at £4229.59 and the Norton Disney Playing Field account at £3560.72.

Councillors comments / AOB

3 mature village trees on/adjoining Church land were rumoured to be in danger of being felled. Discussions have since taken place with NKDC's Tree Officer on this subject. Steve Howell offered to be the village 'Tree Officer' which was gratefully accepted A complaint regarding noise from the Lost Village Festival had been made by a resident in Carlton le Morland. A letter supporting the event has been sent on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was reported by Cllr Vanessa Hall that she had attended a meeting regarding an application for a crematorium in the Aubourn/Haddington Parish.

Cllr Terry Johnson reported that the Crocus and Daffodil bulbs purchased in the Autumn were planted in October.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish meeting was arranged for Wednesday 16th January 2019.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed @ 9.30 pm

After the conclusion of the meeting, Tracey Whitton was co-opted as a Parish Councillor following Mark Fearnleys' resignation in the Autumn.

Signed

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